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SETTING UP OF MARITIME BOARDS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has set up Maritime Boards in various States of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the names of States where such Boards have been set up;

(c) the functions of Maritime Board and the sources of funding of these Boards ; and

(d) the present status of such Boards in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU)

(a) to (d): Under the Indian Ports Act.,1908, responsibility for development of Non-Major Ports vests in the respective State Government. Maritime Boards are set up and funded by the Maritime State Governments for the development of Non-Major Ports and sectors related thereto. Out of the 9 Maritime States, 4 States viz, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Tamilnadu and West Bengal have so far set up the Maritime Boards.